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September 14, 2009

Office of General Counsel
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To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as my response to the complaint filed by the Nebraska Republican Party (matter MUR 6210). I look forward to working with the Commission to demonstrate that the allegations are false and frivolous.

Pursuant to Federal Election Law, I filed FEC Form 1 and Form 2 on July 14, 2009, within 10 days of raising \$5,000. This established me as a candidate for Congress and designated Tom White for Congress as my principal campaign committee (FEC Committee ID C00464206). I am confident that no violations of the law were committed because the proper forms were filed in a timely manner.

Furthermore, I believe the complaint is nothing more than a political maneuver. This is demonstrated not only by the poor research and preparation evidenced in the complaint, but also by the fact that the Nebraska Republican Party actively sought press coverage when filing it. These are not the actions of concerned citizens - rather, it is a cheap partisan hit that would be laughable but for the gravity of the subject matter.

Having complied with all federal laws, I ask the Commission to dismiss the complaint and take no further action. Additionally, I request that the Commission investigate whether any laws have been violated by the patently frivolous and false claims made in the complaint and, if not, consider developing rules to penalize such politically-motivated complaints.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Tom White

PO Box 241555 • Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1555 • tom@TomWhite2010.com

Contributions are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year. Federal law limits individual contributions to \$2400 per election with the primary and general election each considered separate federal elections. Contributions from foreign nationals, federal government contractors, and the general treasury funds of a corporation, labor organization or national bank are prohibited.

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FORM 1

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STATEMENT OF
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1. NAME OF
COMMITTEE (in full)

(Check if name
is changed)

Example: If typing, type
over the lines.

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Tom White for Congress

ADDRESS (number and street)

2517 N 55th St

(Check if address
is changed)

Omaha

NE

68104

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

COMMITTEE'S E-MAIL ADDRESS (Please provide only one e-mail address)

(Check if address
is changed)

russell@tomwhite2010.com

COMMITTEE'S WEB PAGE ADDRESS (URL)

(Check if address
is changed)

www.tomwhite2010.com

2. DATE

7 / 2 / 2009

3. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

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4. IS THIS STATEMENT

NEW (N)

OR

AMENDED (A)

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Thomas J. Mastaitis

Signature of Treasurer

Thomas J. Mastaitis

Date

7 / 2 / 2009

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Toll Free 800-424-9523
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FEC FORM 1
(Revised 08/2008)

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8. TYPE OF COMMITTEE

Candidate Committee:

- (a) This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
- (b) This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate Tom White

Candidate Party Affiliation D Office Sought: House Senate President State NE District 2

- (c) This committee supports/opposes only one candidate, and is NOT an authorized committee.

Name of Candidate _____

Party Committee:

- (d) This committee is a _____ (National, State or subordinate) committee of the _____ (Democratic, Republican, etc.) Party.

Political Action Committee (PAC):

- (e) This committee is a separate segregated fund. (Identify connected organization on line 6.) Its connected organization is a:

Corporation Organization with Capital Stock Labor Organization
 Membership Organization Trade Association Cooperative

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registered PAC.

- (f) This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate, and is NOT a separate segregated fund or party committee. (i.e., nonconnected committee)

In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registered PAC.

In addition, this committee is a Leadership PAC. (Identify sponsor on line 6.)

Joint Fundraising Representative:

- (g) This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, at least one of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.
- (h) This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, none of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.

Committees Participating in Joint Fundraiser

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4. _____ FEC ID number C

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Write or Type Committee Name

6. Name of Any Connected Organization, Affiliated Committee, Joint Fundraising Representative, or Leadership PAC Sponsor

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Mailing Address

[Empty grid lines for mailing address]

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Relationship: Connected Organization Affiliated Committee Joint Fundraising Representative Leadership PAC Sponsor

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number - optional) and position of the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name

Tom Monteth

Mailing Address

515 N 67th St # A

Omaha

NE

68114

Title or Position

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Treasurer

Telephone number

402 - 393 - 4900

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number - optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name of Treasurer

Thomas J. Monteth

Mailing Address

515 N 67th St # A

Omaha

NE

68114

Title or Position

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Treasurer

Telephone number

402 - 393 - 4900

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Full Name of Designated Agent

M: Ian Russell

Mailing Address

PO Box 241555

Omaha

CITY

NE

STATE

68124

ZIP CODE

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Title or Position

Campaign Manager

Telephone number

402

-429

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9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

First National Bank of Omaha

Mailing Address

1620 Dodge St. Stop 101

Omaha

CITY

NE

STATE

68197

ZIP CODE

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

Mailing Address

CITY

STATE

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**FEC FORM 2
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY**

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1. (a) Name of Candidate (in full) Thomas M. White		2. Candidate's FEC Identification Number	
(b) Address (number and street) 2517 N 55th St.		<input type="checkbox"/> Check if address changed	
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code Omaha, NE 68104		3. Is This Statement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> OR <input type="checkbox"/> Amended (A)	
4. Party Affiliation Democrat	5. Office Sought House	6. State & District of Candidate Nebraska District 2	

DESIGNATION OF PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

7. I hereby designate the following named political committee as my Principal Campaign Committee for the 2010 election(s).
(year of election)

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the appropriate office listed in the instructions.

(a) Name of Committee (in full) Tom White for Congress
(b) Address (number and street) 2517 N 55th St.
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code Omaha, NE 68104

DESIGNATION OF OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES
(including Joint Fundraising Representatives)

8. I hereby authorize the following named committee, which is NOT my principal campaign committee, to receive and expend funds on behalf of my candidacy.

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the principal campaign committee.

(a) Name of Committee (in full)
(b) Address (number and street)
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Candidate <i>Thomas M. White</i>	Date <i>July 6, 2009</i>
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Tom White Arrogantly Violating FEC Laws

by NEGOP



For Immediate Release
August 6, 2009

Contact: Parre Nellan
Office: 402-475-2122

Tom White Arrogantly Violating FEC Laws

Today Nebraska Republican Party Chairman Mark Fehleisen announced that a formal complaint has been filed with the Federal Election Commission against State Senator Tom White's exploratory committee in his bid at the Second Congressional seat in Nebraska. White's exploratory committee is not simply "tasting the waters," rather, White is campaigning like an official candidate.

Fehleisen commented, "We tried to give Tom White the heads up a few weeks ago, but he chose the arrogant headstrong approach he's most known for. White prided himself on transparency in the Legislature. He needs to come out of the darkness and disclose his financial activities like those of a candidate, as required by law."

The Federal Election law is clear:

The name of the committee, and statements by committee staff, must not refer to the individual as a candidate. For example, an exploratory committee could not be called "Sam Jones for Congress," which would indicate that Jones had already decided to run for federal office. Instead, the committee should be called "Sam Jones Congressional Exploratory Committee."

A month ago the NEGOP issued a news release that outlined White's violations; however, White and his campaign chose to ignore this and have continued to operate the campaign under the header of an exploratory committee.

Tom White is selfishly taking advantage of the benefits that come along with the exploratory committee shell. Unlike campaign committees, candidates who are "tasting the waters" are not required to file disclosure reports with the FEC. As the FEC clearly states, there are certain activities that indicate an individual is campaigning, and no longer "tasting the waters." These activities include: Making statements that refer to yourself as a candidate; Using advertising to publicize your intention to campaign; or Taking action to qualify for the ballot.

Tom White has engaged in all three of the above actions.

Tom White's website clearly states "Tom White for Congress" on every page. Additionally, White is asking voters to pledge their vote to him. Clearly, this is not simply "tasting the waters." White has launched a full-blown congressional campaign, and should follow the proper campaign laws and regulations.

The NEGOP urges Tom White to officially file for candidacy, release the names of his donors, and fully comply with all FEC laws.

"Tom White is showing his true colors from the very beginning—either he's too arrogant to comply with the law or he has something to hide," concluded Fehleisen.

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